

CLAIMS

1. Bushing comprising a hollow cylindrical section (2, 2') extending in the axial direction for accommodating a shaft or a pin (30, 30', 30"), and an elastic collar (3, 3') extending in the radial direction,

characterized in that

the collar (3, 3') is formed with a profile which is undulated in the axial direction and designed to compensate for axial play and/or radial play.

2. Bushing according to Claim 1,

characterized in that

the collar (3, 3') has at least one recess (6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14) which forms a material lug (4, 4', 5, 5') on the collar (3, 3').

3. Bushing according to Claim 2,

characterized in that

two recesses (11, 12, 13, 14) extending essentially in the radial direction each form a respective material lug (4', 5').

4. Bushing according to Claim 2,

characterized in that

a recess (6, 7) in a first section (6A, 7A) running from an outer border of the collar (3), at least approximately radially over the collar (3), and in a second section (6B, 7B) extending at least approximately in the circumferential direction forms a respective material lug (4, 5).

5. Bushing according to one of Claims 2 through 4,

characterized in that

at least two material lugs (4, 4', 5, 5') are provided on regions of the collar (3, 3') that are oppositely situated relative to a longitudinal axis (8) of the bushing (1, 1').

6. Bushing according to one of Claims 1 through 5,
characterized in that
the collar and in particular a material lug (4, 4', 5, 5') have at least one bulge (9, 10, 15, 16) in the axial direction of the collar (3, 3').
7. Bushing according to Claim 6,
characterized in that
the bulge (9, 10) has a groove-like design in the radial direction of the collar (3).
8. Bushing according to Claim 7,
characterized in that
the groove-like bulge (9, 10) is provided on a material lug (4, 4', 5, 5').
9. Bushing according to Claim 6,
characterized in that
the bulge is provided in a groove-like manner on the collar in the circumferential direction thereof.
10. Bushing according to Claim 6,
characterized in that
the bulge has a hemispherical design.
11. Articulated connection of at least two elements (18, 27; 18, 25; 27, 23), in particular for a folding top mechanism (17) for a convertible vehicle, having a pivot pin (30, 30', 30") on which at least two elements (18, 27; 18, 25; 27, 23) are mutually rotatably supported relative to the longitudinal axis of the pivot pin (30, 30', 30"),
characterized in that
at least one bushing (1) according to one of Claims 1 through 8 is situated on the pivot pin (30, 30', 30"), and a first element (23, 27, 33) is supported on the hollow cylindrical section (2) of the bushing, and the collar (3) of the bushing is designed to compensate for

axial play and/or radial play between the first element (23, 27, 33) and a second element (18, 27).

12. Articulated connection according to Claim 11,
characterized in that
one of the elements is an articulated arm (23).
13. Articulated connection according to Claim 11 or 12,
characterized in that
one of the elements is a hydraulic cylinder (27).
14. Articulated connection according to Claims 11 through 13,
characterized in that
one of the elements is a main bearing (18), fixed to the vehicle body, for the folding top mechanism (17).